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**LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION FOR WOMEN**  
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**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF  
DECEMBER 14, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Los Angeles County Commission for Women was held on Monday, December 14, 2009 in the Sybil Brand Conference Room 372, Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, California.

President Duba called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

The following Commissioners were present for roll call:

President Reiko Duba  
Vice President Bobbi Jean Tanberg  
Treasurer Yolanda Becerra-Jones  
Commissioner Ruth V. Creary, Ph.D.  
Commissioner Norma L. Gallegos  
Commissioner Olivia G. Rodriguez  
Commissioner Veda E. Ward, Ph.D.  
Commissioner Jill Tanner  
Commissioner Charlotte Lesser  
Commissioner McCarthy Napoleon

Introduction of audience followed.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 9, 2009**

On motion of Vice President Tanberg, seconded by Commissioner Lesser, unanimously carried, the minutes of November 9, 2009 were approved.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Duba reported the following:

- The Domestic Violence Shelter Donation Presentation and luncheon will take place today following the Commission meeting. Five shelters and service providers will receive a \$500 donation.
- November 9 – attended the Run for Health 5K Run/Walk and 10K Run wrap-up meeting. Community members were recognized for their contribution and hard work.

**MEMBERS**

Reiko Duba  
*President*

Bobbi Jean Tanberg  
*Vice President*

Yolanda Becerra-Jones  
*Treasurer*

Ruth V. Creary, Ph.D.  
Norma L. Gallegos  
Wadie M. Gravely  
Ruth Jernigan  
Charlotte Lesser  
Julie McCarthy Napoleon  
Michelle Pinedo  
Olivia G. Rodriguez  
Jill Tanner  
Veda E. Ward, Ph.D.

- November 15 – presented a certificate of appreciation to Coach David Levine for his contribution. Coach Levine provided free training for County employees prior to the 5K Run/Walk and 10K Run event.

(Commissioner Creary joined the meeting at 10:15 a.m.)

- Recommended the Health Committee to take action on the digital mammography screening and work in conjunction with the office of Women's Health to develop recommendations and guidelines. President Duba further indicated to post the Breast Cancer and Cervical Cancer screenings recommendations and guidelines to the Commission Website.
- The official date for the Scholarship Awards presentation is scheduled for Tuesday, February 16, 2010 at the Board of Supervisors meeting.

### **STAFF REPORT**

Rhonda Rangel, Commission Service Staff, reported the following:

- The Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors is going "Green." Agendas and minutes will be distributed electronically. However, Commissioners who have no e-mail access a hard copy will be sent by mail.
- Staff recommends the Commission alternate meeting locations since is rather difficult acquiring meeting room to hold special event of the Commission.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer Becerra-Jones reported the following on the expendable allowance for the month of November 2009. The beginning balance was \$13,936.58; Monthly allocation-beginning balance was \$1,532.21; November flex spending expenditures were \$4,981.05. Report filed with Commission Services.

### **DISCUSSION OF GUIDELINES FOR ANNUAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE DONATION TO THE COUNTY'S DV SHELTERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS – COMMISSIONERS RODRIGUEZ AND BECERRA-JONES**

Commissioner Rodriguez reported that the Committee was not able to meet as scheduled. However, the Committee is meeting January 15, 2010 to review the guidelines and donation process. The Committee will provide a report at the February 8, 2010 Commission meeting.

**DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL TO RESERVE THE SECOND MONDAY IN AUGUST OF EACH YEAR FOR THE ANNUAL COMMISSION RETREAT – PRESIDENT DUBA**

Following discussion, on motion of Commissioner Rodriguez, seconded by Commissioner Ward, the Commission approved to reserve the second Monday in July 2010 to hold the Annual Commission Retreat.

**APPROVAL OF THE 2009 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT – COMMISSIONER BECERRA-JONES**

Commissioner Becerra-Jones reported that due to one set of score not turned in, the Committee will table this item for the January 2010 Commission meeting.

**DISCUSSION ON THE 11<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL LA COUNTY RUN FOR HEALTH 5K RUN/WALK AND 10K RUN HELD OCTOBER 31, 2009 – COMMISSIONER LESSER AND PRESIDENT DUBA**

President Duba thanked the committee and staff for all their hard work and participation with this years' event. President Duba noted there were several obstacles due to the reorganization of staff, location site and the economy; however the event was a success. A final report was distributed to the Commission.

**UPDATE ON THE WOMEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS LUNCHEON**

Commissioner Ward reported the following:

- Nominations were received and reviewed. However, a recommendation was made to have two awardees for the Education Category since there were no nominations for the ARTS/MEDIA Categories.
- Purple and silver will be the color scheme; entertainment will be Commissioner Tanner as the harpist before and during the event. In Addition, there will be a 2 to 3 person dance ensemble from the California State University of Northridge (CSUN).
- Invitations will be drafted by staff and submitted to committee for approval; Invitations will have silver embossing.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS AS NEEDED**

- **Communications** – Vice President Tanberg distributed the meeting minutes of November 30, 2009. Two action plans were established and submitted to President Duba, including a follow-up action plan from last year. In addition, Commissioners Gallegos suggested an action plan to raise Commission visibility in the community. The next meeting is scheduled for January 11, 2010 following the Commission meeting.

- **Legislation** – None reported.
- **Domestic Violence** – None reported.
- **Education** – None reported
- **Older Women's Issues** – Commissioner Becerra-Jones reported that the committee is meeting with Supervisor Ridley-Thomas following the Commission meeting.
- **Health** – Commissioner Lesser reported that there will be a teleconference meeting in January 25, 2010.
- **Other** – None reported.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None reported.

### **COMMUNITY OUTREACH/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Commissioner Creary reported the following:

- December 2, 2009, attended the state of rebuild of Martin Luther King Hospital meeting at the Claude Hudson Auditorium, Martin Luther King Hospital.
- December 9, 2009, attended Senator Feinstein's staff holiday reception in Los Angeles.
- December 10, 2009, attended the Charles Drew Medical Society National AIDS Task Force Presentation at the Charles Drew University in Los Angeles.

(Community Outreach/Announcements filed with Commission Services)

### **MATTERS NOT ON THE POSTED AGENDA (TO BE PRESENTED AND PLACED ON A FUTURE AGENDA)**

None

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:26 p.m.

## **ATTENDANCE**

### **COMMISSIONERS**

Reiko Duba, President  
Bobbi Jean Tanberg, Vice President  
Yolanda Becerra-Jones, Treasurer  
Charlotte Lesser  
Ruth V. Creary, Ph.D.  
Veda Ward, Ph.D.  
Olivia Rodriguez  
Norma L. Gallegos  
Julie McCarthy-Napoleon  
Jill Tanner

### **EXCUSED**

Commissioner Ruth Jernigan  
Commissioner Wadie M. Gravely  
Commissioner Michelle Pinedo

### **UNEXCUSED**

None

### **COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES**

Rhonda Rangel  
Mireya Rivera  
Emma De Jesus  
Audra Galang

### **GUESTS**

Pat Wilson  
Lora Tanner  
Sandra Teasley